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Memorial of his Excellency the Lord Carteret to her Majesty the Queen of Sweden.

THE underwritten Minister Plenipotentiary of his Majesty the King of Great Britain, is ordered to represent to her Majesty the Queen of Sweden, that the Crown of Great Britain having not been engaged in the War of the North, and that the said Crown having in all times maintained a strict Friendship and Alliance with that of Sweden, as well with Regard to their common Interests, as to the Preservation and Support of the Protestant Religion; as also that the King since he has been on the Throne, having constantly laboured to establish the Peace of Europe on the most solid Foundations; his Majesty sees, with very great Concern, the War which for so many Years has ravaged the North, having occasioned great Effusion of Blood, and the Ruine of many Countries and Provinces.

The King would think himself happy, if he could contribute to the putting an end to those Troubles.

In order to it his Majesty has commanded Mr. Whitworth, his Minister at the Court of Prussia, to acquaint M. Tolstoy Minister of his Czarish Majesty, that he is desirous to see Peace re-established between Sweden and Russia, and that he offers his Mediation for it to his Czarish Majesty.

The King likewise addresses himself now to her Majesty the Queen, being thoroughly perswaded by the Proofs of Affection and Tenderness which she has shewn for her People, that she seeks nothing but to have them enjoy the Blessings of Peace, and that she is disposed to accept his Majesty's Mediation.

The King makes no Doubt that the Queen will trust her Interests to him, and that her Majesty is entirely satisfied of the Sincerity of his Intentions in so good a Work.

The said Minister Plenipotentiary most humbly intreats her Majesty, to grant him a favourable Answer and as speedily as she can, he being ordered to repeat to his Czarish Majesty the Offer of Mediation which has already been made to him, in case her Majesty the Queen of Sweden is pleased to accept it on her Part.

Done at Stockholm the 16th of August, O. S. 1719.

CARTERET

The Answer of Her Sacred Royal Majesty to the Memorial presented to Her by the Lord Carteret, Minister and Plenipotentiary of His Sacred Royal Majesty of Great Britain, for Her accepting the said King's Mediation between Her and the Czar of Great Russia. Given at Stockholm the 16th of August, 1719.

HER Royal Majesty is extremely pleased to find by the Memorial of his Excellency the Minister Plenipotentiary, that his Majesty the King of Great Britain being intent upon re-establishing every where the former Tranquility of Europe, looks with deep Concern on that fatal War which has so long raged in the North; and that he counts it his chief Glory and Happiness to contribute effectually to the extinguishing it. That in order to this, he has already caused Mr. Whitworth, his Minister residing at Berlin, to acquaint the Muscovite Minister there, how desirous he is, that by his amicable Offer of Mediation, Peace may be restored between Her Royal Majesty and His Czarish Majesty: That he proposes the like Endeavours and Offices of Mediation to Her Royal Majesty; and has therefore sent Orders to his Excellency the said Minister Plenipotentiary here, to offer amicably this Mediation of his King to Her Royal Majesty, and to procure as soon as may be Her Re-

solution thereupon; to the end that if his Excellency the said Minister Plenipotentiary shall obtain Her Royal Majesty's Acceptance thereof, he may, pursuant to his Orders, repeat the same Offer of his King's Mediation to the Czar of Muscovy.

Her Sacred Royal Majesty gives the more ready Attention to all these Things, because so great is her tender Affection for her Subjects, that nothing could ever be so acceptable and conformable to her earnest and unwearied Cares and Wishes, as the proposing of Means for extinguishing this destructive War, and stopping the further Effusion of Human and Christian Blood. The King of Great Britain's entertaining generously such Thoughts, is the more agreeable to her Royal Majesty, because they are suitable to the indissoluble, and in a manner natural Bands, by which as well the mutual Interests of each Kingdom, as of the Protestant Religion especially, the Two Nations are united.

Her Sacred Royal Majesty does therefore the more willingly embrace this Offer of his Majesty the King of Great Britain, as being firmly and absolutely perswaded, that his Sacred Majesty the King of Great Britain pursuing a Design, so great and beneficial to the Christian World, with the most sincere Intention and Application of Mind, will successfully employ sufficient Means.

Her Sacred Royal Majesty is satisfied she may the more safely trust his Sacred Majesty the King of Great Britain with her own and her Kingdom's Interests, because she assuredly promises her self from his Prudence no less than from his Justice and Equity, that his Majesty the King of Great Britain will make it his chief Aim, that the Parties at War laying aside Animosity and Hatred, and being reconciled in their Minds, may prefer equitable, solid and lasting Conditions and Terms of Peace, to such as by their own Rigour and Unreasonableness would in Course of Time naturally break and dissolve themselves.

For the rest, her Royal Majesty assures his Excellency the Minister Plenipotentiary of her very singular Royal Good Will to his Person, and earnestly recommends him to the Favour and Protection of the Almighty. Done as abovesaid.

(L. S.) By the special Command of her Sacred Royal Majesty of Sweden.

D. H. von Hopken.

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IT being known to Her Majesty the Queen of Sweden, that the Crown of Great Britain has had no Part in the War which has unhappily lasted so many Years in the North, and her said Majesty having given convincing Proofs of her Moderation, and of her Desire to re-establish the Tranquility which has so long in vain been wished for; the King of Great Britain has ordered his underwritten Minister Plenipotentiary to represent to her Majesty, that the Kings his Predecessors, as well for the Preservation of free Commerce in the Baltick, as especially for the Welfare of the Protestant Religion, have always maintained very strict Alliances with the Crowns of Sweden and Denmark.

The several Treaties concluded for that End, by the Interposition of Great Britain, between Sweden and Denmark, are so many Proofs of the constant Endeavours which they have used to re-establish Peace between those Crowns when they have been at War.